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FOLLOWING REPEAT ANKARA 1892, SENT SECSTATE 13 MAR:

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L ANKARA 1892

FOR NEA/RA AND IO/OIC

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CENTO

SUBJ: CENTO MINISTERIAL

1. LOCAL PRESS MARCH 10 REPORTED THAT FOREIGN MINISTER OKCUN WILL REPRESENT TURKEY AT THE CENTO MINISTERIAL. MFA CENTO DESK OFFICER BALKAN CONFIRMED THAT OKCUN WOULD ATTEND BUT THAT TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS AND THE COMPOSITION OF THE TURKISH DELEGATION REMAIN UNDECIDED.

2. RELATEDLY, CENTO SECRETARIAT SOURCES HAVE TOLD US THAT THE PAKISTANI AMBASSADOR HAS INDICATED THAT HIS FOREIGN MINISTER MAY REFUSE TO ATTEND THE MINISTERIAL UNLESS A NEW SECRETARY GENERAL IS IN PLACE BY THEN. THE PAKISTANI MAY NOT BE SPEAKING FOR HIS GOVERNMENT AS HE IS KNOWN TO OBJECT TO
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PARTICIPATING IN MEETINGS CHAIRED BY HIS COUNTRYMAN, ACTING SECRETARY GENERAL MAHMUD, WHO HE FEELS IS OF LOWER RANK.

3. MFA HAS NOT YET PROPOSED A NEW SECRETARY GENERAL. LOCAL NEWSPAPERS HAVE REPORTED THAT LARGE NUMBERS OF NEW TURKISH AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL APPOINTMENTS WILL BE MADE AT AN UNSPECIFIED TIME IN THE NEAR FUTURE. WE HOPE THAT THE

POST OF CENTO SECRETARY GENERAL IS AMONG THOSE SLOTS THAT
WILL RECEIVE PRIORITY ATTENTION. A HIGH LEVEL MFA SOURCE
CONFIRMED RECENTLY THAT CANDIDATES FOR SECRETARY
GENERAL WERE BEING ACTIVELY CONSIDERED AND THAT A NAME SHOULD
BE FORTHCOMING SOON. SPIERS UNQUOTE. VANCE

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